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SUBJECT: LENINGRAD LECTURE HIGHLIGHTS

1. LENINGRAD LECTURER MARCH 4 MADE FOLLOWING POINTS IN RESPONSE
TO QUESTIONS FROM AUDIENCE:

2. MIDDLE EAST: RECENT SOVIET DISCUSSIONS WITH ARABS SHOW
INCREASED ACCEPTANCE OF NEED FOR POLITICAL SETTLEMENT. SOVIET
ADVISERS CONTINUE TO TRAIN EGYPTIANS IN USE OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT.
RECENT VISIT OF EGYPTIAN WAR MINISTER WENT SMOOTHLY AND WAS
OCCASION FOR REVIEW OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. USSR STILL
REFUSES TO GIVE EGYPT OFFENSIVE WEAPONS.

3. JEWISH EMIGRATION: LECTURER SAID EMIGRATION WAS 30-32,000
IN 1972. MANY EMIGRANTS WANT TO RETURN; 6,000-8,000 (SIC)
ARE IN VIENNA AWAITING PERMISSION TO DO SO.

4. CHINA: PRC HOPES TO BUILD COALITION OF DRV, CAMBODIA
AND LAOS DIRECTED AGAINST USSR. GROWING CHINESE NUCLEAR
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ARSENAL HAS 80-100 WARHEADS AND DELIVERY CAPABILITY UP TO
4,000 KILOMETERS. USSR MUST CONSTANTLY TAKE INTO
ACCOUNT CONTINGENCY OF WAR WITH CHINA.

5. JAPAN: JAPANESE MFA REPORTEDLY GIVING MUCH THOUGHT TO
POSSIBLE TANAKA VISIT TO USSR BUT PROSPECTS NOT GOOD SO LONG AS GOJ
CLINGS TO PREVIOUS POSITION ON NORTHERN TERRITORIES.
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